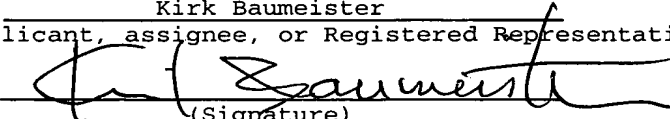


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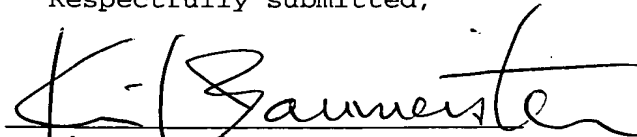
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Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed October 28, 2004 for 2 months, from November 28, 2004 to January 28, 2005. A Response to the Failure to Acceptably Respond to a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment is being filed herewith.

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